

McCalls M5649 and the Shroodie (a personal pattern)

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Pattern Description: Girls summer dress with ruffle. View B without V-neck.

Pattern Sizing: I cut out the 7. It's wide enough for my dream girl's shape but I wish that I would have tried to make it longer.

Did it look like the photo/drawing on the pattern envelope once you were done sewing with it? Yessir!

Were the instructions easy to follow? They were pretty straight forward but because there are 6 other options I got a tiiiiny confused at one point but I came through that moment just fine.



The back view

What did you particularly like or dislike about the pattern? The pattern layout for View B sucked! Almost all of the pieces required cutting on the fold. This would be great if my size didn't call for cutting on a single layer. I refused to cut that way and ended up cutting the ruffle in half to accomodate my modification. You can't even tell and I got to cut the rest of the pieces on the fold like a sane person.



Blurry pic but it shows how beautifully ruffly the dress is.

Fabric Used: Quilting cotton from Meissner's sewing center. This stuff was too expensive for a child's project but I loooove it. I just have to try not to go to that store anymore but it's where all my sewing machine accessories can be found.

Pattern Alterations or any design changes you made: I chose not to go with the V-neck shown in this view and used the other bodice option without incident.

Would you sew it again? Would you recommend it to others? I'm searching for fabric now to sew another. I would definately recommend this pattern to others!

Conclusion: I saw a little girl with this outfit on in a plaid fabric. I don't think I'm ready for stripes, but this was pretty close. I LOVE this fabric and love how this outfit turned out. See below for my personal pattern for the hoodie.



Go on keep doin whatchoo doin, grouchie! Don't worry about what I'M doing. Geesh, lol.

Shrug + Hoodie = SHROODIE (I just made that up, lol)



I consider this to be a unisex pattern that can be “manned up” by making longer sleeves and body.

I made this pattern as I was going so if you knit it I'd love to know how it turns out. Sorry for any errors. I'll try to post on Ravelry.

Puah wears a size 8. So, if you want a smaller size I suggest using smaller needle and yarn, a larger size, larger needle and yarn. I used Lion Brand's Nature's Choice Organic Cotton in Walnut with a size US 10 24" circular needle. My gauge is 28 rows (14 ridges) and 14 st for a 4" square. Take the child's measurements around his/her chest and upper arm to decide.

Using appropriate needle size and worsted weight yarn CO25 sts.

HOOD

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: k12, yo(yarn over), k1, yo, k12

Row 3: and ALL WS rows, knit, working yo's as sts.

Row 4: k13, yo, k1, yo, k13.

Row 6: K14, yo, k1, yo, k14 – 31 sts.

Row 8: k15, yo, k1, yo, k15

Row 10: k16, yo, k1, yo, k16

Row 12: k17, yo, k1, yo, k17

Row 14: K18, yo, k1, yo, K18

Row 16: k19, yo, k1, yo, k19

Row 17: k20, yo, k1, yo, k20 – 43 sts

Work even in garter st until piece measures 11".

BODY

You will need 4 stitch markers to separate the body into 5 sections: left front, left sleeve, back, right sleeve, right front.

Row 1: K7,yo, pm(place marker), k1, yo, k6, yo, pm, k1, yo, k13, yo, pm, k1, yo, k6, yo, pm, k1, yo, k7 – 51 st total (8 have been increased)

Row 2: Knit

Row3: *K to next marker, yo, sl (slip) marker, k1, yo * repeat from * 3 more times. Continue Rows 2 and 3 until sleeve circumference equals that of child's upper arm + at least 1.5 inches.

SPLIT SLEEVES AND BODY:

Note: Puah's Shroodie is semi sleeveless. Meaning that I BOUND OFF the sleeves INSTEAD of transferring the stitches to scrap yarn. If you want sleeves, then continue as follows, otherwise don't forget to bind off.

Right Side: K to 1st marker, move all st from 1st and 2nd marker onto scrap yarn[or bind off if desired] (right sleeve). K to 3rd marker. Move all st from 3rd to 4th marker onto another piece of scrap yarn[or bind off if desired] (left sleeve). K to end.

Wrong Side: Continue in garter stitch until you reach the desired length of the hoodie. BO all st.
***If you chose the semi sleeveless option you're done. I used a ribbon for a fastener but you can chose buttons and loops if you want.**

SLEEVES:

Pick up all st, one sleeve at a time from scrap yarn. Work in the round until sleeves reach desired length(Decide if you want to cuff the sleeves or not. Cuffs are cute and the sweater can be worn longer). Now that you are working in the round you will have to alternate K and P rows. If you work back and forth you will have a seam to sew 😊 . Your choice.

BO all st.

Weave in ends. Block if desired. Sew up the hood.